

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Diane D. Mizrahi
IKUO WATANABE ET AL.)	
	:	Art Unit: 2165
Application No.: 10/630,767)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 8460
Filed: July 31, 2003)	
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SYSTEM, MULTIMEDIA)	
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UPDATE METHOD, MULTIMEDIA)	
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REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF
A NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE OR A NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

An Office Action was mailed in the present application on October 5, 2006, finally rejecting the claims on the grounds that they are unpatentable in view of the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. No other grounds for rejecting the claims were presented in the Office Action.

In response to the double patenting rejection in the Office Action, a Terminal Disclaimer was filed on February 5, 2007. Because the Office Action does not present any other grounds for rejection, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

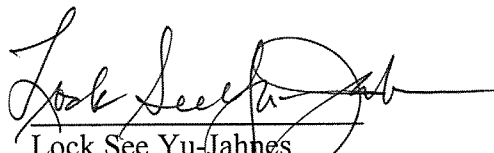
However, in a telephone call on April 5, 2007, between the Examiner and Applicants' undersigned attorney, the Examiner indicated that there may be other issues preventing her from allowing the application. These other issues are not presented in the October 5, 2006, Office Action.

If there are further grounds for rejecting the claims, Applicants submit that these would constitute new grounds for rejection that Applicants would not have had a previous chance to address. Accordingly, if the Examiner believes that the current claims are not patentable, despite the Terminal Disclaimer, Applicants respectfully request an issuance of a non-final Office Action stating the new grounds for rejecting the claims.

In order to preserve the pending status of the present application, a Notice of Appeal was filed herewith.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


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